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# UNITED STATES OF AMERICA POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

Periodic Reporting (Proposals Nine through Fifteen)

Docket No. RM2012-1

## CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 1

(Issued December 1, 2011)

To clarify the basis of the Postal Service's estimates in its proposals filed in Docket No. RM2012-1, the Commission requests the Postal Service to provide written responses to the following questions.<sup>1</sup> Answers should be provided to individual questions as soon as they are developed, but no later than December 8, 2011.

### Proposal Ten

- The Postal Service's petition states that on June 24, 2011, the Postal Service began allocating the revenue for Undeliverable-As-Addressed (UAA) Parcel Select pieces to the Parcel Select product. See Petition at 6. Under Proposal Ten, the Postal Service will assign the related UAA Parcel Select IOCS tallies to the Parcel Select product. Please explain if this change in the treatment of UAA Parcel Select IOCS tallies applies solely to tallies incurred after June 24, 2011, or to all FY 2011 IOCS tallies associated with UAA Parcel Select.
- Please refer to the table titled "Changes in IOCS dollar-weighted tallies due to Change in Treatment of UAA Parcel Select." Please provide an electronic spreadsheet showing how the Postal Service calculated the 5 percent decrease

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Petition of the United States Postal Service Requesting Initiation of a Proceeding to Consider Proposed Changes in Analytical Principles (Proposals Nine-Fifteen), November 1, 2011 (Petition).

in Parcel Post tallies and the 9 percent increase in Parcel Select tallies. Please include all input data used in the calculation.

### **Proposal Twelve**

 Please refer to Proposal12.xls, tab CRA-PRESORT LETTERS. Confirm that cell G60 should be added to the Total Assigned Fixed Cents cell. If confirmed, please provide an updated version of Proposal12.xls. If not confirmed, please explain.

### Proposal Fifteen

- 4. Please confirm that the "Return Receipt Unit Cost (Original)" should be \$1.8036 or \$1.804 rounded. See Petition at 24 and Docket No. ACR2010, USPS-FY10-28, Attachment 13, page 5 of 8. If you are unable to confirm, please explain the development of \$1.836 and provide electronic spreadsheets showing its derivation.
- 5. The Postal Service proposes to update the methodology used to calculate the unit costs for Return Receipts. However, the Petition did not include the updated Return Receipt cost model. Please provide the updated cost model that incorporates the proposed methodological changes.

By the Chairman.

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